

Organization of the Profile

This profile answers five core questions in two main sections.

Chapter 1: Core Epidemiologic Questions

This section provides background on the characteristics of the general population of Indiana, distribution of HIV, and a profile of those at risk for HIV infection. Three questions form the core of this section:

- 1. What are the socio-demographic characteristics of the general population in Indiana?** Informs readers about the overall demographic and socioeconomic characteristics of Indiana.
- 2. What is the scope of the HIV/AIDS Epidemic in Indiana?** Assesses the impact of HIV/AIDS among a number of groups within Indiana. This allows planners and care givers to target those populations most at risk.
- 3. What are the indicators of risk for HIV/AIDS in Indiana?** Provides an in-depth look at populations most at risk. Indirect and direct measures assist in indicating high-risk behaviors.

Chapter 2: Ryan White HIV/AIDS CARE Act Special Questions and Considerations

This section concentrates on questions pertaining to Health Resources and Services Administration HIV/AIDS care planning. Included is a description of access, utilization, and standards of care among HIV-positive people in Indiana. It is organized around one central question:

What are the patterns of service utilization of HIV-infected people in Indiana?
Examines service utilization by several populations living with HIV/AIDS.